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SUBJECT: GSP AND BOTSWANA COPPER NICKEL MATTE

REF: A. STATE 000384, B. STATE 010679

1. IN FEB. 8 VISIT TO FINMIN REP M.L. O. STEVENS, WILLEAN EATON AND EMBOFF INFORMED GOB THAT BOTSWANA WILL LOSE GSP BENEFITS FOR COPPER-NICEL MATTE. IN FIRST REACTION STEVENS SAID THAT GOB WOULD POSSIBLY, THROUGHT THE WASHINGTON EMBASSY, APPLY IMMEDIATELY FOR EXEMPTION ON GROUNDS THAT MOST OF COPPER-NICKEL MATTE WAS RE-EXPORTED FROM U.S. AND THAT SELEBI-PIKWE OPERATION WAS TILL IN NEED OF COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE. EMBOFF STRESSED THAT EXCLUSION OF BOTSWANA NOT DISCRETIONARY BUT BASED ON U.S. LAWS.

2. COMMENT: GIVEN WELL KNOWN FINANCIAL AND PRODUCTION PROBLEMS PLAGUING SELEBI-PIKWE PROJECT, USG DECISION TO REVOKE GSP ON BASIS THAT BOTSWANA COPPER-NICKEL MATTE IS AT LAST COMPETITIVE WILL LIKELY CAUSE GREAT CONSTERNATION IF NOT DISBELIEF AMONG GOB
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OFFICIALDOM. THEREFORE REQUEST DEPARTMENT KEEP EMBASSY INFORMED OF INTERAGENCY TRADE POLICY STAFF COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS AFFECTING POSSIBLE REINSTATEMENT OF GSP. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ESTIMATE OF IMPACT WHICH REVOCATION WILL HAVE ON BOTSWANA'S COPPER-NICKEL MATTE EXPORTS TO THE U.S.
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